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1. Development of the Works

During the evacuation the Germans removed from the plants in Stalowa Wola all so-called "grinders" (special machine tools for grinding mirrors), turning lathes for gun barrels, apparatus for gauging gas pressure in Martin furnaces, and apparatus in the tempering department (the tempering of gun barrels).

2. No installations were taken away from Stalowa Wola after the Red Army captured the place. The Russians supplemented some parts of the power house and put the rolling mill and the forge in operation.

3. During the winter of 1944/45 the steel mill was put into operation (one Martin and one arc furnaces). In May, 1945, an induction furnace was started up. Other branches and departments were also gradually opened up, and at present, with the exception of the mechanical department, work and production is maintained on the same level as it was during the German occupation.

4. The management is now composed of the following men: Director-in-Chief, Engineer Kowalewski,

Administrative Manager, Jasiak, an electrician  
Two of the latter's sons are serving with the Security Office in Lublin.

5. Machines removed by the Germans are now being replaced by others,

The whole plant is being extended; recently the cast-iron, rough mechanical treatment and tempering departments were extended and developed and a new pickling plant is being erected, while plans are being made for the construction of a new steel mill. It has been suggested that all this activity means that pre-war plans for the development and extension of Stalowa are being realized.

6. Production

During 1944/45 the factory manufactured pistons for cars, according to contract. At present the Russians are still placing orders and the plant is making pistons for cars, barrels for automatic rifles, pistols

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and guns. The output in July amounted to 7,800 pistons for cars. The rate of output in the rolling mill is twelve to thirteen car loads (25 to 30 ton cars) of barrels, in a raw state, ready for boring holes. Rustless metal sheets production amounts to thirty to forty 15-ton cars per month. Observation has shown that although cars are labelled "Chorzow" (Silesia), the trains are actually sent to Lublin and Przemysl.

7. The mechanical department is making moulds of two mm metal sheets swaged for the manufacture of special bricks which are being made of the rubble from the ruins of Warsaw. This production is destined for private firms. This too is the only department making profit to cover the cost of staffs of other departments. In July the orders for these moulds placed with the plant amounted to 27 million items, at a price of 100 zlotys per item.
8. The mechanical department is also making complete installations for the oil plant which is being erected in the Lublin region, and recently received orders for three more oil plants; the price of one set of installations for the oil plants is one and one-half million zlotys.
9. In every department of the factory there are tables calculating the production in percentages. On this production percentage the pay of the workers is based. 50X1-HUM

In July the production percentage of the steel mill was 122 percent, that of the rolling mill 147 percent and that of the forge 145 percent.

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The basic wages are divided into groups: the foreman electrician is paid 7.10 zlotys per hour (17th pay group); the second electrician 7.90 zlotys per hour (18th pay group); the third electrician 8.40 zlotys per hour (19th pay group). Electricians working in the substations (21st pay group) are paid 9.40 zlotys per hour.

10. Prices

Bread per kilogram	30 zlotys
Butter "	400 "
Bacon "	350 "
Beef "	110 "
Pork "	170 "
Sugar "	170 "
Milk per liter	20 "
One egg	9 "
Baltic cigarettes	6 "
Wolnosc "	5 "

Food ration cards are issued at the end of the month.

Soap was issued two months late; this was blamed on the headquarters and the delays in UTRRA supplies.

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11. Political

Among the workers of Stalowa Wola there are 274 members of the PPR, 540 members of the PPS, and 6,000 without any party allegiance. The PSL, the Labor Party (Stronnictwo Pracy), the SD, and SL are not represented in the factory. Elections to Factory Councils, Trade Unions and for Delegates of Social Welfare always take place in such a manner that the management appoints candidates from among PPR adherents (or persons whose allegiance to the PPR is secret), and presents them as reliable and trustworthy people. There is no possibility of proposing other candidates. On one occasion one of the non-party members was elected. After the election he was entrusted with the task of distributing some old clothes, and was immediately accused of having carried out this task unfairly and a new election was ordered.

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Correction

On 18 March 1947 we disseminated a report bearing the above heading.   
 The first sentences in paragraphs 3 and 6  
should be corrected to read "during 1945/46" and the second sentence in para-  
graph 3 should be corrected to read "In May, 1946".

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